

EVANS EXPRESS

Official Newsletter of the City of Evans, Colorado

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Queen City of the Platte

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Mettle of the Pedal • Bike to Work Day



Bike to Work Day puts 2 wheels on display

If your commute to work on June 22nd felt less congested, that's no coincidence. The City of Evans, along with neighboring municipalities, hosted Bike to Work Day. The occasion is held annually on the fourth Wednesday of June and celebrates healthy alternative modes of transportation. The Evans Neighborhood services department set up breakfast stations at two separate locations in the city. Residents were encouraged to ride by the stations to receive a free T-shirt, water bottle and breakfast. The first bike lane in Evans was striped in 2016, and Evans is becoming an increasingly bicycle friendly city. Get exercise, reduce pollution, and show your support for bicycle friendly infrastructure by joining us for this event!





RESERVE THE NEIGHBORHOOD PARTY TRAILER



It's summertime and that means party time in the City of Evans! Reserve the **Neighborhood Party Trailer** and make your block party pop. The trailer is great for family gatherings, pool parties, block parties, and all kinds of social functions.

The trailer includes:
10 tables
48 chairs
4 trash cans

2 coolers with ice
2 water coolers
12 traffic cones
Corn Hole Boards

Giant Jenga
6 Hula Hoops
8 Jump Ropes
Sidewalk Chalk

Reserve the **Neighborhood Party Trailer** by visiting EvansColorado.gov and searching for "Party Trailer". The trailer is fantastic, but don't take our word for it. Read what residents have to say about it:

Carolyn Renaud: "I tell people if you're going to have any kind of community event where you're going to invite your neighbors and you want people to be able to sit comfortably and have tables for people to eat at and stuff like that—the party trailer's the way to go cause it has everything. And if you're going to have games and stuff for kids, that was included and so it's been a really pleasurable experience renting the party trailer."

Sister's Linda Peeper and Karen McLarty | Lives in Hunter's Reserve:
"It was awesome. Yea, we loved it. It had the tables, the chairs, the cones to block off the area. I mean it was fantastic. We loved it. It was just great. The whole experience was wonderful."

Erin Turman: "We really appreciated this service! The coolers even came with ice which was a huge time-saver on party day."

Thank you, City of Evans."



"It was really a life saver for us to have it the party trailer yeah. Just resoundingly great feedback. I can't recommend it enough. It was just such a help to us."

Lisa Taylor

Immigrant and Refugee Center
Hosted 300 person event



NEW PARK, NEW COURT

Residents have two new places to play this summer



Denver Street Park is now open with new playground equipment after closing down in the winter of 2021 to upgrade the play area. Residents chose the equipment in an online voting. The new equipment was funded through a matching grant of \$125,000.

The Denver Street Park playground was installed in 1998 by the City of Evans and is the only area for children to play in this neighborhood without crossing a major highway or very busy city streets.



BEFORE



AFTER

At **Village Park**, the tennis court is so new you (and your dog) can smell the fresh surface and painted lines. The court was closed in early June for repairs, but is now open with a fresh coat of paint and brand new nets. The cracks in the surface have also been sealed.





Neighborhood Watch



is a program where community members, in cooperation with the Evans Police Department, participate in the detection and deterrence of crime in their neighborhoods.

The Neighborhood Watch Program facilitates communication between you and your neighbors. In addition, it develops a partnership between police and citizens for the safety and security of your neighborhood.



As a citizen of the Evans community, we share the common goal of enhancing the quality of life within your neighborhood.



Keeping you and your family as safe as possible is a continued goal of the Evans Police Department.

Our success in reaching this goal depends greatly on your effort as well.

If you would like to organize a Neighborhood Watch Program, contact Officer Teresa McClatchey at 970-590-1504 or tmcclatchey@evanscolorado.gov.



Evans Police Department



State-of-the-art facility awaits Wastewater Technicians

Are you looking for a career with upward mobility, competitive pay, great benefits, paid time off, and a family like atmosphere? If so, you should apply for one of our **Wastewater Technician** opportunities. You will be working in a new, state-of-the-art facility that was constructed in 2018. Our wastewater plant is the largest infrastructure project the city has ever built. Our Wastewater Technicians are the MVP's within the city. They are responsible for essential functions that allow our residents to perform daily tasks like taking a shower and flushing the toilet.

The City is also hiring for a number of other positions. If you'd like to work in a family-like atmosphere, with opportunities for advancement, visit our jobs page today and apply for a position that fits your skillset and interest.

Apply today at www.evanscolorado.gov/hr/jobs



Career Opportunities with the City Of Evans



Becklenberg says goodbye as the City eyes new City Manager candidates



City Manager Jim Becklenberg addressing a citizens group

After more than five years as the City Manager for the City of Evans, **Jim Becklenberg** accepted a position as the new City Manager of Littleton, Colorado. His last day was June 23rd.

"Evans will always have a special place in my heart. I developed many lifetime relationships and friendships that I will always cherish. And while I will miss this community, the City of Littleton allows me the opportunity to be closer to my family, which is important during this chapter of my life," Becklenberg said. "I am proud of the progress made in the City of Evans during my time as the City Manager."

The City will hire a search firm that will lead the probe for a new City Manager, with the hopes of having a new City Manager selected by November of 2022 with a targeted start date at the beginning of 2023.

Under Becklenberg's leadership, the City of Evans saw substantial growth in infrastructure and community outreach. Below are some of the key milestones during his tenure as the City Manager:

- ❖ Riverside Park flood restoration
- ❖ Completion of a new wastewater treatment plant, which is the largest infrastructure project in the city's history
- ❖ The passage of a 1% sales tax to triple the city's street maintenance budget
- ❖ The passage of a voter initiative to construct a new police station with no new taxes or fees to residents
- ❖ Building key relationships with regional partners and the development community

Becklenberg credits the Evans City Council for its leadership in moving the community forward and seizing new opportunities.

"The Evans City Council, whom I have had the honor and privilege to serve, have worked extraordinarily well together to set a course for future high-quality growth in Evans. They have also continuously supported me and the entire City staff in advancing their agenda."

"I'm personally excited for Jim to move onto his next chapter for him and his family," Evans Mayor Mark Clark, said. "But it's bittersweet because he's made the city what it is today and it's all his doing. He's definitely going to be missed and his legacy in the City of Evans will be felt for years to come."



"I am proud of the work we have accomplished over the last few years. I believe Evans is well-positioned to meet the challenges of the future."

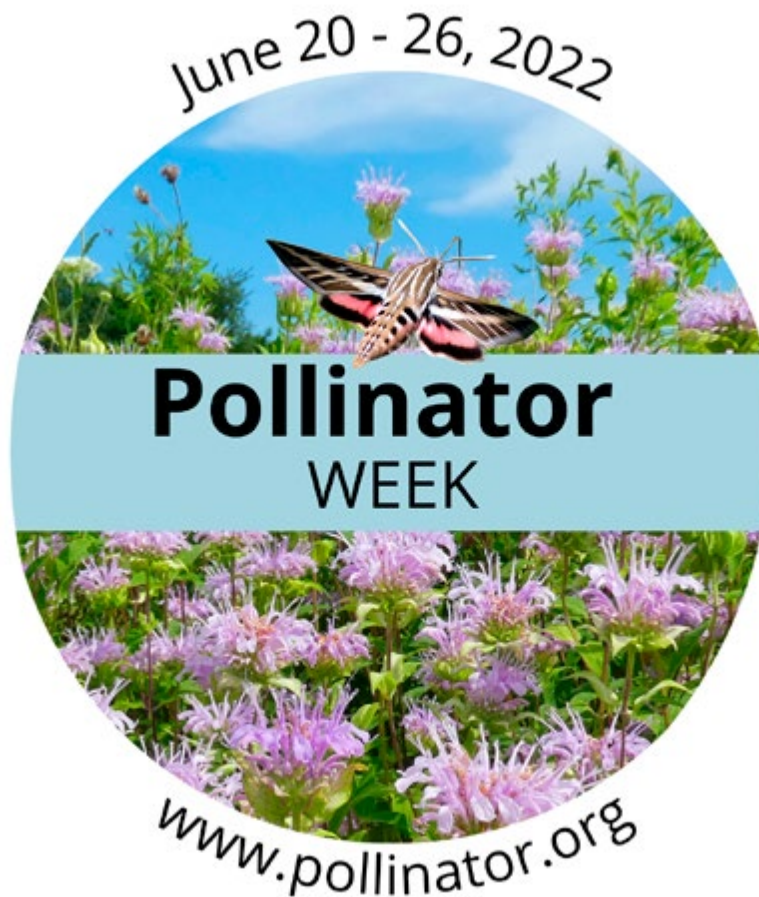
Jim Becklenberg



New Member Joins the Evans City Council



Swearing in ceremony for Brian Providence. He is the newest City Council Member in Evans and he will represent Ward II. Providence is a military veteran and has resided in the City of Evans for seven years.



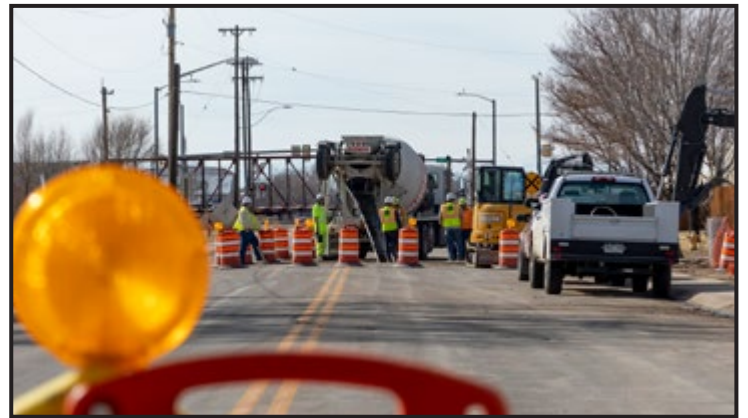


WORD ON THE STREETS | INFRASTRUCTURE REPORT

East End Enhancements

Idaho Street - By mid-July, paving should be completed on the Idaho Street project. The East Evans addition is progressing while the city works with neighborhoods to make the following enhancements:

- ❖ Paving local roads in Old Town Evans with valley gutters and sidewalks along both sides of the road. This includes Idaho Street from 42nd to 40th and 40th from Idaho to Denver.
- ❖ Upgrading the water distribution main
- ❖ Installing new storm sewer inlets and storm drainage piping to alleviate local flooding and muddy road conditions
- ❖ Enlarging the "Railroad Detention Pond"



The city anticipates a complete decommissioning of the former Wastewater Treatment Plant at 37th Street and 1st Avenue.

Midtown making progress



23rd Avenue was constructed, in part, to connect 42nd Street to 37th Street. The next chapter in the annals of the Avenue will be written when the city widens the arterial roadway to four lanes. The expansion will include a center median with sidewalks on both sides of the street. Traffic signal enhancements are also in the blueprints of the design.

The Westside Story

- ❖ Evans Ditch Trail (east end up 42nd to St. Vrain) design underway
- ❖ Ashcroft Draw Sanitary Sewer replacement/realignment and trail improvements under design



Donations that save lives

The **Evans Police Department** held their annual blood drive at the Evans Community Complex. Nearly 20 volunteers throughout the community donated their blood amidst a nationwide blood shortage. According to the American Red Cross, every 2 seconds someone in America needs blood.



Teens take part in summer Police Academy

Students from the Evans-Greeley area participated in the Teen Police Academy. The program gives middle-school aged students the opportunity to learn about Law Enforcement in a hands-on environment. The cadets got experience in radar detection, CSI, and a host of other police-related activities.





Hugs, handshakes, and high emotions

Police grab the spotlight at City Council as a quartet of new officers were sworn into the department, while several veterans were honored with promotions and awards.



Promotions:

Lieutenant (Gabe Riemer)

Sergeant (Jason Schissler)

Swearing-In Badge Pinning:

Dane Abila

Ryan Sanchez

Jesus Ramirez

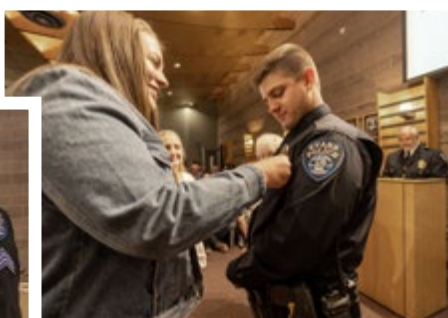
Brennon Nolte

Awards:

Chiefs Citation for work on dismantling a major auto theft ring in the region

Brennon Nolte

Jesus Ramirez





In cooperation with the **Evans Police Department**
National Night Out Registration Form
Tuesday August 2nd, 2022

Coordinator Name: _____

Coordinator Address: _____

Primary Phone Number: _____ Secondary Number: _____

Place of Event: _____

Start Time: _____ End Time: _____

Approximate Number of Participants: _____

Activities You Are Planning:

Completed registration forms can be returned to:

Evans Police Department
Community Outreach & Police Services Unit
1100 37 Street
Evans, CO 80620
970-590-1504

Registration Deadline: Friday July 15th, 2022

Special Requests or Questions can be sent to tmclatchey@evanscolorado.gov



It's Hot Out!

Don't Leave Your Pet in the Car!



A car can overheat **even** when the window has been left cracked an inch or two.



Young, overweight or elderly animals, or those with short muzzles or thick or dark-colored coats are **most at risk** for overheating.



Shady spots offer **little** protection on hot days, and move with the sun.



Even if the temperature outside is only 70°, the inside of your car may be as much as 20 degrees hotter!

On an 85° day, it only takes ten minutes for the inside of your car to reach 102°.

Within just 30 minutes, the car's interior can climb from 85° to a scorching 120°.



Many states and local governments have laws that prohibit leaving an animal unattended in a motor vehicle under dangerous conditions, which includes hot days. Your car could be damaged or you could be charged with a crime.

ASPCA

If you see an animal trapped in a car on a hot day, try to locate the owner or call 911! **Stay by the car until assistance arrives.**



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RECREATION

Striving for excellence through innovation and positive experiences



Evans Recreation

1100 37th Street
Evans, CO 80620

970-475-1125

www.evanscolorado.gov/recreation
recreation@evanscolorado.gov

Fall Volleyball
Fall Flag Football
Fall Soccer
Heritage Day
Adult Fitness Classes
Recreation Center Hours



FALL VOLLEYBALL

REGISTRATION: JUNE 6 – AUGUST 7

Practices start the week of August 29

First game is September 10

\$10 LATE FEE WILL BE ADDED TO REGISTRATIONS AFTER AUGUST 7TH,
BASED ON AVAILABILITY.

TEAMS ARE FILLED ON A FIRST COME, FIRST SERVED BASIS.

EVANS RECREATION JERSEYS ARE \$15 AND AVAILABLE AT THE
RECREATION FRONT DESK.

HOT SHOT: K-2ND GRADE

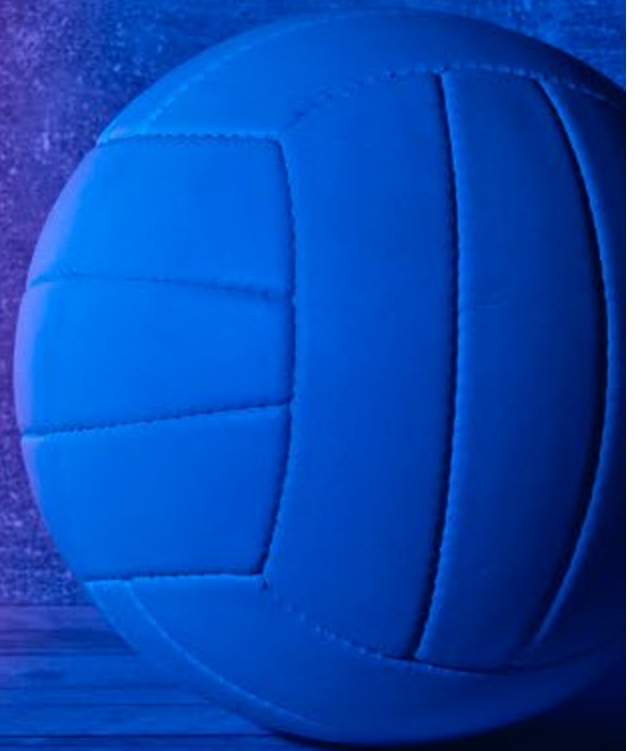
\$40

EXTREME: 3RD-6TH GRADE

\$50

*Volleyball is played through the
Northern Valley Athletic Association
(NVAA) which includes the towns of
Eaton, Evans, Fort Lupton, Kersey,
LaSalle, and Platteville*

*Games can be played at any of these
sites during the season.*





FALL FLAG FOOTBALL

REGISTRATION: JUNE 6 – JULY 31

**HOT SHOT
K-3RD GRADE
\$40**

Practices will be once per week in Evans & will begin the week of August 15th. Games will be in Evans & begin August 27th.

**EXTREME
4TH-6TH GRADE
\$50**

Practices will be twice per week in Evans & will begin the week of August 15th. Games will be in Windsor & begin August 27th.

**\$10 LATE FEE WILL BE ADDED TO REGISTRATIONS AFTER JULY 31ST,
BASED ON AVAILABILITY.**

TEAMS ARE FILLED ON A FIRST COME, FIRST SERVED BASIS.

**EVANS RECREATION JERSEYS ARE \$15 AND AVAILABLE AT THE
RECREATION FRONT DESK.**



FALL SOCCER

REGISTRATION: JUNE 6TH-JULY 31ST

**\$10 LATE FEE WILL BE ADDED TO REGISTRATIONS AFTER JULY 31ST,
BASED ON AVAILABILITY. TEAMS ARE FILLED ON A FIRST COME,
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HOT SHOT: 6U & 8U \$40

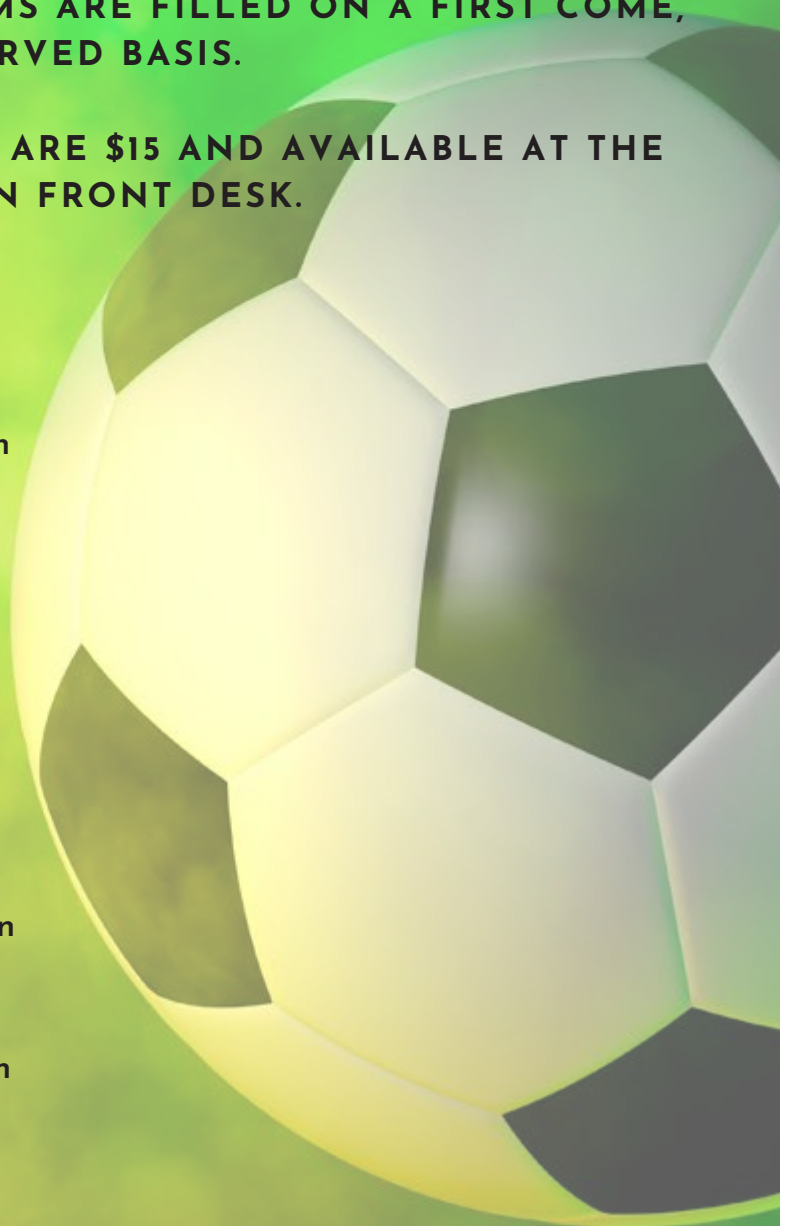
Practices will be once per week in
Evans & will begin the week of
August 15th.

Games will be in Evans & begin
August 27th.

EXTREME: 10U BOYS, 10U GIRLS & 12U CO-ED \$50

Practices will be twice per week in
Evans & will begin the week of
August 15th.

Games will be in Windsor & begin
August 27th.





THE CITY OF EVANS PRESENTS

HERITAGE DAY

SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 17, 2022

8:30 - 10:30 AM | CITY PARK

11 AM - 9 PM | RIVERSIDE PARK

Music, food, and family fun!





SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 17

CITY PARK

3929 GOLDEN STREET

8:30 - 10 am | Pancake Breakfast

for first 500 in line

9 - 10 am | Patrick Hesse

(covers from the '60s to present)

10 - 10:30 am | Parade

RIVERSIDE PARK

4000 RIVERSIDE PARKWAY

11 am - 7 pm | Amusements and Vendor Fair

11 am - 8:30 pm | Food Trucks and Beer Garden



11 am - 12 pm | DJ Lil Coop

12 - 4 pm | Live Entertainment

3 - 5 pm | Pictures with Superheroes and Princesses

4:15 - 4:45 pm | Princess Sing-along

5 - 6:30 pm | Lendon James &
the Highway 34 Band *(country music)*

6:30 - 7 pm | DJ Lil Coop

7 - 8:30 pm | JV3

(90s pop-rock tribute band)

8:30 pm | Fireworks

SPONSORED BY:



BANK OF COLORADO | BILTRITE SIGNS

FITNESS CLASS SCHEDULE



TUESDAY

POUND FITNESS

5:30 - 6:15 PM

WEDNESDAY

ZUMBA

6:00 - 7:00 PM



SESSION DATES

JULY 11 - AUGUST 19

AUGUST 22 - OCTOBER 1

OCTOBER 3 - NOVEMBER 11

NOVEMBER 14 - DECEMBER 23

\$30

PER SESSION

MORE INFO

970-475-1125

WWW.EVANSOLORADO.GOV/RECREATION

"STRIVING FOR EXCELLENCE THROUGH INNOVATION AND POSITIVE EXPERIENCES."

Evans Recreation Center

WE'RE OPEN

Monday - Thursday
6:00 am to 8:00 pm

Friday
6:00 am to 6:00 pm



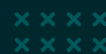
Basketball Court Closures

Monday	9:00 – 11:15 am, 4:30 – 8:00 pm
Tuesday	8:15 – 10:30 am, 4:30 – 8:00 pm
Wednesday	8:00 – 11:15 am, 4:30 – 8:00 pm
Thursday	8:15 – 10:30 am, 4:30 – 8:00 pm
Friday	9:00 to 11:15 am

Effective March 1, 2022

Recreation Center Weight Room





EVANS SENIORS



Friendly Fork Senior Nutrition Program

- Tuesdays and Fridays
- Lunch is served at 11 am for dine-in service and 11:30 am for to-go meals
- Reservations must be made by 9 am the day before lunch by calling 970-475-1132.

Senior lunches are provided by the Weld County Senior Nutrition Program and are offered to those who are aged 60 or older OR who has a spouse 60 or older. There is a \$4 suggested donation for meals for those who meet the age requirements. Guests who do not meet the requirements, must pay \$14 guest fee.

Bingo

Bingo is held on the 1st and 3rd Tuesday of the month immediately following senior lunch. Free to participate but donations are gladly accepted.



1100 37th St. Evans, 80620
970-475-1125



ACTIVE ADULT FITNESS CLASSES

MONDAY

9:15-10:00 am
CardioFit

10:15-11:00 am
Yoga

TUESDAY

8:30-9:15 am
Classic

9-11:15 am
Tai Chi Chih

9:30-10:30 am
Circuit

WEDNESDAY

8:15-9:00 am
Classic

9:15-10:00 am
CardioFit

10:15-11:00 am
Yoga

THURSDAY

8:30-9:15 am
Classic

9:30-10:30 am
Circuit

FRIDAY

9:15-10:00 am
CardioFit

10:15-11:00 am
Yoga

10:15-11:00 am
Stability
(Dance Studio)

NOTES

All classes are FREE for SilverSneakers and RenewActive members. For all others, we have Senior Fitness Punch Passes available: 15 classes for \$35 or 30 classes for \$68. Session dates are ongoing.



ACTIVE ADULT FITNESS CLASSES

CARDIOFIT

Try a safe and heart-healthy aerobics class to energize your active lifestyle using low-impact movements that focus specifically on building upper-body and core strength plus core endurance. This is a higher intensity class.

YOGA

Move through seated and standing yoga poses designed to increase flexibility, balance and range of movement.

CLASSIC

Designed to increase muscle strength, range of movement and improve activities for daily living. A chair is used for seated exercises and standing support and class can be modified depending on fitness levels.

CIRCUIT

The Circuit workout offers standing, low-impact choreography alternated with standing upper-body strength work with hand-held weights, elastic tubing with handles and a ball.

STABILITY

The movements focus on specific exercises to improve strength and power around the ankle, knee and hip joints, while improving your reaction time. This class is designed for fall prevention and is suitable for nearly every fitness level.

TAI CHI CHIH

Tai Chi Chih is a gentle moving meditation that brings balance, peace and joy to life. The purpose of Tai Chi Chih is to balance and circulate the natural energy of the body.



City of Evans Contact Info

Emergency Services	911	
After Hours Non-Emergency	(970) 356-1212	
Building Inspections	(970) 674-1036	
Building Permits	(970) 475-1120	
Business Licenses	(970) 475-1109	
City Clerk	(970) 475-1104	
City Council	(970) 475-1104	
City Managers Office	(970) 475-1108	
Code Enforcement	(970) 475-1115	
Community Development	(970) 475-2228	
Court	(970) 475-1123	
Economic Development	(970) 475-1112	
Employment	(970) 475-1161	
Engineering/Mapping	(970) 475-1169	
Evans Cemetery	(970) 475-1104	
Fire Prevention/Reports	(970) 339-3920	
General Information	(970) 475-1170	
Police Department	(970) 339-2441	
Pothole Hotline	(970) 475-1188	
Recreation Programs	(970) 475-1125	
Senior Programs	(970) 475-1129	
Stormwater Hotline	(970) 475-1188	
Water and Sewer Billing	(970) 475-1170	
Planning and Zoning	(970) 475-1167	
Nieghborhood Services	(970) 475-1115	

Local Agencies

Evans Area Chamber of Commerce	(970) 330-4204	
Small Business Development Center	(970) 351-4274	
Upstate Colorado	(970) 356-4565	
Greeley/Evans School District	(970) 348-6000	
Weld County	(970) 356-4000	
Water and Sewer Emergencies	(970) 475-1170	
Water Conservation	(970) 475-1186	

City Schedule

All meetings held at
The City of Evans Community Complex
1100 37th Street, Evans, Colorado,
unless otherwise noted.
Call (970) 475-1170 for more information.
Find agendas, minutes and packets online
by clicking on the icon below.

www.evanscolorado.gov/citycouncil



Regularly Scheduled Meetings

- **City Council Work Sessions**
First and Third Tuesdays at 6:00 pm
- **City Council Meetings**
First and Third Tuesdays at 7:00 pm
- **Planning Commission**
Fourth Tuesday at 6:00 pm
- **Water and Sewer Board**
Third Thursday at 3:30 pm
- **SBDC Small Business Counseling**
Every Wednesday beginning at 9:00 am
Riverside Library and Cultural Center
- **Evans Fire District Board of Directors**
Fourth Monday of each month

